Thay 1762

03500.011922.3

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

SECOND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed, together with a copy of a January 16, 2004, Chinese Office Action (and an English translation thereof) citing it, issued in a Chinese counterpart of the present application.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document JP 07-81057 is provided by the English abstract attached thereto.

Applicant notes that non-U.S. Patent document EP 0 658 912 A1 is not listed on the Form PTO-1449, since it was previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on October 1, 2001.

Since no final Office Action or Notice of Allowance has been received in this application since the issuance of the previous non-final Office Action, it is believed that no \$180.00 fee is required in connection with this paper. However, if a fee is required, please charge any such fee to Deposit Account 06-1205.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our New York office by telephone at (212) 218-2100. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

Attorney for Applicant

Registration No. 42,476

FITZPATRICK, CELLA, HARPER & SCINTO 30 Rockefeller Plaza
New York, New York 10112-3800
Facsimile: (212) 218-2200

NY_MAIN # 409655v1

FORM PTO 1449 (modified) U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE PE LIST OF REFERENCES CITED BY APPLICANT(S)			ATTY DOCKET NO. 03500.011922.3	APPLICATION NO. 09/966,595		
			APPLICANT Mitsutoshi Hasegawa			
(Use several sheets if necessary) FEB 2 6 2004		FILING DATE October 1, 2001	GROUP 1762		62	
U.S. PATENT DOCUMENTS						
*EXAMINER INITIAL			NAME	CLASS	SUBCLASS	FILING DATE IF APPROPRIATE
FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS						
	DOCUMENT NUMBER	DATE	COUNTRY	CLASS	SUBCLASS	TRANSLATION YES/NO/ OR ABSTRACT
	7-81057	03/28/95	Japan	B41J	2/045	Abst.
		,				
OTHER DOCUMENT(S) (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)						
		_ ·_ · · · ·	<u> </u>			
			· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·			
						: :
EXAMINER			DATE CONSIDERED			

^{*}EXAMINER: Initial if reference considered, whether or not citation is in conformance with MPEP 609; Draw line through citation if not in conformance and not considered. Include copy of this form with next communication to applicant.